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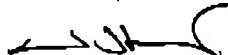
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Remarks

This submission is in furtherance of the agreement reached at the interview of August 21, 2003. At the interview, Applicant and the Examiner discussed improving clarity of the claims by including language explicitly (rather than implicitly) identifying the use of the invention in the context of DASD devices, and changes to usable hardware memory. The foregoing amendment implements the changes discussed.

The Examiner indicated at the interview that the claims are allowable over the prior art. Applicant respectfully requests early transmission of a Notice of Allowability. If the Examiner has any item to discuss, please call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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